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The Republic Fair on Valo was the most impressive exhibition the galaxy had ever seen.

People from all over the Outer Rim had traveled there for it—Pantorans, Aqualish, Klatooinians, and hundreds more.

They'd all come to see the amazing sights and learn about everything the Republic had to offer, and some hoped their own worlds would decide to join the Republic and Chancellor Soh's vision of a brave new future.

There were gardens and food stalls and enormous floating platforms hosted by different planets. Also on display was a famous new starship, the *Innovator*, which promised to deliver medical care to any in the Outer Rim who needed it.





The Wookiee Burryaga, a Jedi Padawan, was pleased to be a part of it all. He loved the Republic and everything it stood for.

But not everyone liked the Republic, and a band of terrible pirates known as the Nihil had decided to attack the fair! Their ships seemed to come out of nowhere, appearing in the sky above.



At first people thought it was a flying display and cheered, but then the ships started firing on the exhibits below and destroying everything with their cannons! Burryaga raced into the town square to help. He had to do something!





All around the fair, the Jedi were doing everything they could to save people, but there was so much to do! Master Stellan Gios used all his strength to keep others safe from clouds of the Nihil's poisonous gas.

Padawan Bell Zettifar and his charhound, Ember, were desperately searching for missing people on board the *Innovator* as it slowly sank into the lake.



Burryaga was hurrying for his own Vector starfighter when he heard the screech of the Nihil ships heading his way again.

The Nihil ships opened fire as they zoomed overhead, but Burryaga used his lightsaber to bat away their attacks, acting as a shield for the people in the crowd.

They were all very grateful for Burryaga's help, calling him a brave hero, but he had to go. There were lots more people to rescue!







Burryaga made it to his Vector and soared into the air. A distress call had gone out, and Burry and his master, Nib Assek, had to keep the Nihil busy until more help arrived.

But there were so many Nihil ships. Burryaga was worried that even with the Force on their side, the Jedi wouldn't be able to stop them. Especially when the Nihil released a swarm of scav-droids!

The scav-droids were crab-like machines designed to attach themselves to starships and tear them apart. They stuck to the Vectors and began to cut away pieces of the Jedi ships!

Burrryaga was trapped inside his ship while it was being taken apart, piece by piece!

“Rrrwaaaah!” He called out to his master for help, but scav-droids were attacking her ship, too!





Burryaga was desperate. He'd felt calm on the ground when the Nihil attacked, but now he was too anxious to focus and use the Force.

He could feel the other Jedi reaching out to him, trying to calm his nerves, and he focused on Nib's voice on his comm.



“Push them away, Burryaga. Now!”

Burryaga took a deep breath, steadying himself. He felt himself growing calm. His concentration was returning. With a sweep of his arm, he used the Force to brush the scav-droids from his Vector. He was free!





Suddenly, the sky above the Vectors was filled with hundreds of new ships.

“Attention all fighters,” came a transmission from the lead ship, “this is Trido Tamaree of the Royal Togruta Fleet. We are here to help the Republic!”

Someone had heard the distress call and come to help!

The Nihil were badly outnumbered. Everything was going to be okay! The Jedi had held the Nihil off long enough for help to arrive.



Things were not going so well for Burryaga, though. The scav-droids he'd pushed from his Vector had exploded, and now the engines were badly damaged. Black smoke leaked from the back of the ship. He was losing control!

"Get out of here, Padawan," said Nib Assek over the comm. "You've done enough."

Now all Burryaga had to do was find a safe place to land.

But Burryaga's Vector was more badly damaged than he had realized. His engines failed and the ship fell into a dangerous spin, plummeting toward the ground.

Burryaga had lost all control.

The Vector spiraled like a corkscrew as it fell from the sky on a collision course with the zoo!

What was he going to do?



Burryaga reached out for the Force. Calmly, he slowed the ship's spinning and brought the nose up to point away from the ground. He couldn't stop the Vector altogether, but it was enough, and he sailed over the top of the zoo, crashing down right in the middle of a street instead.

Finally, the Vector came to a skidding stop. It was badly damaged, but at least Burryaga had stopped anyone from getting hurt in the crash.









Up above, the Nihil ships were fleeing, chased away by the Jedi and the Togruta. Below, people were cheering.

All around the fair, the Jedi had stood their ground and protected people from harm.

On the *Innovator*, Bell Zettifar had rescued the Chancellor's son and others before the ship sank, while Stellan Gios had protected Chancellor Soh and other important visitors.

The Republic Fair had been destroyed, but the spirit of the Republic lived on.

The Nihil attack had failed.

All across the galaxy, people watched the holonet as the Jedi set out to do battle with the Nihil.

“It is our duty to keep the Republic safe from those like the Nihil who would try to destroy us,” said Master Stellan Gios as the Jedi boarded their ships and prepared to face the Nihil again.

People knew now that the galaxy was a much safer place with the Jedi. With heroes like Burryaga to watch out for them, they’d never have to worry about Nihil attacks again.



MEET THE JEDI OF THE HIGH REPUBLIC!

Jedi Padawan Burryaga is having a wonderful time at the Republic Fair—until the evil Nihil attack! Can Burryaga help save the day?



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